

line 24, change "shows" to --is an isometric view of-- and after "appliance"  
insert --of Fig. 1--;

line 26, insert --and-- after "position,";

line 28, change "shows" to --is an isometric view of the transfer appliance  
of Fig. 1 with--;

line 29, insert --and-- after "position,";

line 31, change "shows" to --is an isometric view of the transfer appliance  
of Fig. 1 with -- and after "position," insert --and--;

line 33, change "shows" to --is an isometric view of the transfer appliance  
of Fig. 1 with -- and after "position," insert --and--;

line 35, change "shows" to --is an isometric view of the transfer appliance  
of Fig. 1 with--;

line 36, after "position," insert --and--; and

line 38, change "shows" to --is an isometric view of the transfer appliance  
of Fig. 1 with--.

Page 4, line 2, after "closed," insert --and--;

line 3, change "shows" to --is an isometric view of-- and after "appliance"  
insert --of Fig. 1--;

line 7, change "shows" to --is a partial isometric view of a second  
embodiment of a transfer appliance according to the present invention,--

line 10, after "position," insert --and--;

line 11, change "shows" to --is a partial isometric view of the device of Fig.  
9 with--;

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line 13, after "position," insert --and--;

line 18, change "Fig. 12 shows" to --Figs. 12a-12f are various isometric views of--;

line 21, change "Fig. 13 shows" to --Fig. 13a is a top view of an open stopper lid of a reagent container according to the present invention; Fig. 13b is a cross-sectional view of the reagent container of Fig. 13a taken along line A-A; and Figs. 13c-13e are various isometric views of--;

line 23, change "Fig. 14 shows" to --Fig. 14a is a top view of a closed stopper lid of a reagent container according to the present invention; Fig. 14b is a cross-sectional view of the reagent container of Fig. 14a taken along line A-A; and Figs. 14c-14e are various isometric views of--;

line 25, insert in the center of the page -- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS --;

line 26, insert --transfer-- before "appliance,"; and

line 27, change "Figures" to --Figs.--.

Page 5, line 1, insert --horizontal-- before "movement";

line 2, after "container" insert --on the guide (17)-- and delete "via the catch";

line 3, delete "(15),";

line 4, after "opened" insert --via the catch (15)--;

line 26, change "a further" to --an alternative--;

line 27, before "appliance" insert --transfer--; and

line 28, after "Further" insert --alternative-- and delete "patent".